Exploring dissertations of future professionals that may include the issue of the employment of persons with disabilities in their professional practice

Relevant work-package:

Work-package 1: Initiatives for helping people with disabilities into work and retain a job

Project summary:

Students' dissertations form original research materials that include many interesting situations, usually observed in a training context. Students thus have easier access to fieldwork than traditional researchers who might either not have been able to have access or not have access in the same way. Together with the documentation departments of the EHESP in Rennes and at the MSSH (Centre for Disability Studies) in Paris, three databases have been explored: the *Base de données de santé publique* (BDSP – Public Health Database), the MSSH's database and that of the *Centre d'études, de documentation, d'information et d'actions sociales* (CEDIAS - Centre for Studies, Documentation, Information and Social Action - Social museum) for the periods2000 and 2004 and then 2005 and July 2013. The idea was to compare and contrast the situation before and after the February 2005 Law. The database consultation focused both on the mainstream and the protected sectors. The criterion 'public sector' was not included in this first phase of identifying research work so as to avoid restricting the scope of investigation. The selected dissertations will be explored in order to identify the actions and the job inclusion and retention measures.

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